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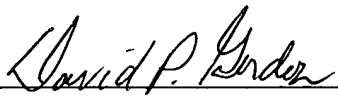
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I am an attorney of record in the instant application. On May 4, 2000, I received a  
letter dated May 2, 2000 from the Applicant enclosing a patent memorandum dated April  
12, 2000 which supports the specification and claims of the above-referenced Serial No.  
09/705,674. The letter and patent memorandum are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

From May 4, 2000, and consistent with the work load in my office, a first draft of a patent application based on the patent memorandum was diligently prepared and completed on September 7, 2000 and forwarded to the inventors for review. After receiving the first draft, the inventors diligently reviewed the first draft and returned their comments, and a second draft was completed on October 25, 2000. Based on additional comments, a final draft was completed on October 31, 2000 and the application was filed on November 3, 2000.

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